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suspect: Request for Information

TO: National Intelligence Council Director, Central Intelligence

- 1. Received your 3 May 1984 letter requesting specific information on US Air Force weapon systems.
- 2. The Air Force has staffed your request for data and reached the following conclusions:
- a. While it is certainly within the purview of the Intelligence Community to perform capability and vulnerability analyses of Soviet systems, inclusion of specific US systems in a study of this nature is a task for net assessment.
- b. The US system information is very sensitive, in some cases special access, and particularly scenario-dependent. We believe the data requested is not necessary to conduct a study of Soviet capabilities and vulnerabilities, and could possibly be used out of context in an analysis of the systems described.
- c. The use of US system data would not include planning factors, operational realities, tactics, counter-measures, etc. and, therefore would prejudice the results.
- 3. We look forward to this capability and vulnerability analysis. The results will allow the Air Force to assess its current capabilities, revise tactics, and state future requirements to meet the evolving Soviet threat.

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